

Elsworth Pre-School Newsletter w/c 3rd February 2020



Happy faces...

This week has been children's mental health awareness week and we have been thinking about different feelings, how to recognise them and how we can help each other to feel happy as well as considering who to ask for help. They explored how Gerald might be feeling in the book 'Giraffes Can't Dance' and played with the characters in the story tray, re-enacting the story and making the animals behaviour more kind.

It has been fantastic to see so many of the children happy and proud of their independent achievements throughout the week. To further develop the children's independence we are going to trial the children getting ready for home time themselves. As well as helping with independence we hope that this will give the children extra time to talk to you about their day before being distracted by coats and shoes, as always any feedback on this is warmly welcomed.

Outside the children have been cooking in the mud kitchen, stomping and throwing leaves in the air and watching how they move and swirl in the wind and making traffic signs for the bikes.

The children created a pop-up ice-cream shop both inside and outside. They created their favourite flavours and took it in turns to serve each other using polite manners and commenting on how delicious their ice-creams were.

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Next week...



With all of our new construction resources ready to explore, our book of the week will be 'The Three Little Pigs.' A well known story that the children can act out with puppets, masks and even make a house outside. We can't wait to see what building materials make the best house.

The children have expressed an interest in looking after their teeth and have been caring for the dolls so this week we will be exploring how to keep ourselves and our teeth healthy.

Number of the week:

Children can bring in items which match the number of the week. We would also like to encourage the children to spot this number in the environment, this could be a door number, a sign, counting vegetables in the supermarket. It would be great to see a photo or an observation about these to share with the children.

The number of the week is: 15.

Show and Tell

Sound of the week:

We decide on the sound of the week based on identified needs of the children. Some sounds are trickier to master than others, so we try to pick sounds to assist with any difficulties which have been identified by key persons. The emphasis is on the use of pure sounds and listening skills, not letter names.

The sound of the week is 'p'

Please can the children bring in an item or photo for show and tell that links with this sound. We have a show and tell box by the children's trays to put these items.